GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Industries & Commerce Department-Constitution of Task force on Aqua sector-Orders-Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (PROGRAMME.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.359 Dated: 26-10-2016

ORDER:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh have decided to promote the Aqua sector in a big way in Andhra Pradesh State. Accordingly, a Task Force Committee has been constituted with the following members, the objectives, mandate etc., are incorporated are as follows;

a	Chief Secretary	Chairman
b	Special Chief Secretary, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries	Member
c	Chairman MPEDA or his nominee	Special Invitee
d	Commissioner of Fisheries	Member
e	Secretary, Food Processing	Convenor
f	Chief Executive Officer, Andhra Pradesh Food Processing Society,	Member
g	Secretary General SEAI	Member
h	5 or 6 members from Industry (to be identified by Spl.CS)	Members
i	Consultant having international exposure	Special invitee
j	Subject experts from University or research organisations	Member

2. The object of the task force to coordinate with various agencies like State & Central Government Departments, National/International level agencies, research organisations, academic institutions and private sector agencies to enable realise the potential available in Andhra Pradesh in Aqua sector. The Committee shall endeavour to make Andhra Pradesh State as the hub of Aqua production and processing in India.

3. The functions of the Task Force are Study, analyse and suggest measures to

(a) Adopt the state of the art technologies at various stages of production and processing of Aqua products in collaboration with private sector, R&D institutions, academia and consultants to improve the quality and to double the production and productivity and processing capacity of both marine and fresh water Aqua products in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) Maintain quality parameters to export to countries like Japan.

(c) Export value added products instead of law or semi processed products.

(d) Develop sustainable models of Aqua culture to enable disease control at production stage and minimize environmental impact due to production/ processing of Aqua products.

(e) Enable implement strict quarantine systems from brood stock to value added products to maintain highest quality, standards.

(f) Sensitive the Aqua farmers/Hatcheries on best practices adopted at National/ International level to improve productivity and quality produce.

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(g) Stop unauthorized hatcheries and discourage the practices that lead to short term gains and cause adverse impact on environment, quality of product etc.

(h) Develop clusters of production and processing industries of aqua products.

(i) Nurture cooperatives among the vast disorganised fisherman and encourage collection centres to consolidate their produce, establish Cold Chain systems to enhance shelf life and marketability of marine /fresh water Aqua products.

4. The task force shall meet once in a month to discuss thoroughly and enable the Aqua sector grow at the rate of at least 20% per annum.

5. The Task force will be subsumed under the proposed State Level body to be constituted by MPEDA.

6. The proposed University of Aquaculture at Bhimavaram will be elevated as National University of Aquaculture with large private participation on the lines of ISB, Hyderabad.

7. The Fisheries Department to document the best practices adopted by private entrepreneurs to develop a knowledge repository and disseminate among the traditional fishermen and upcoming entrepreneurs.

8. The convenor of task force to appraise Prl.Secy. to CM on the progress of work done by Task Force periodically.

9. These orders will come into force with immediate effect.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To
All the Members of the Task Force (through the C.E.O. AP. Food Processing Society)
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All the P.S to Ministers
All the District Collectors in the State of Andhra Pradesh
All Head of the Departments/Corporations under the control of Industries & Commerce Department.

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